**ROGER RIPPON'S CORPSE** ***[2JTH FEE***

* This is the corpse of Roger Rippon, a servant of Christ and her Majesty's faithful subject, who is the last of sixteen or seventeen which that great enemy of God, the Archbishop of Canterbury, with his High Commissioners, have murthered in Newgate within these five years, manifestly for the testimony of Jesus Christ His soul is now with the Lord , and his blood cneth for speedy vengeance against that great enemy of the saints and against Mr Richard Young, who in this, and many the like points, hath abused his power, for the upholding of the Romish Antichrist, Prelacy and priesthood '

Many copies of this libel are spread about the City

*February* THE BILL AGAINST THE BISHOPS

Mr Morns hath been sent for to Court and committed into Sir John Fortescue's keeping

In the Lower House the Speaker showed that he had kept the Bills delivered <u>him,</u> the day before by himself and no one else had seen them A little after he had perused them, he was sent for by special messenger from her Majesty, who commanded ~~him~~ to deliver a message to the House

* I protest,' he declared, * a greater comfort never befell me than that this my integrity and faithful promise to this House is not violated , for her Majesty, in her gracious wisdom, before my coming determined not to press me in this, neither indeed did she require the Bill of me , for this only she required of me what were the things spoken of by the House ? Which points I only delivered as they that heard me can tell

* The message delivered me from her Majesty consisteth of three things First, the end for which Parliament was called Secondly, the speech which her Majesty used by my Lord Keeper Thirdly, what her pleasure

and commandment
now is.
* For the first it is in me and my power (I speak now in her
Majesty's person) to call Parliaments, and it is in my power to
end and determine the same , it is in my power to assent or
dissent to anything done in Parliament
* The calling of this Parliament was only that the Majesty of
God might be more religiously served, and those that neglect
this service might be compelled by some sharper means to a due